

Graduate Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2024
MEETING LOCATION: Odum Library 1470

Present: Becky da Cruz, Debra Gresham, Ann Greenfield, Lenese Colson, Lynn Crump, Mitch Lockhart, Connie Porcaro, John Lairsey, David Nelson, Zhong Lin, Kelly Davidson, Chris Downing, Ellis Logan, Dee Ott, Arsaian Wares

Proxy: No Proxies

Guests: Rebecca Petrella, Crystal Marshall, Georgia Wynn and Darli DeVane

Special Guest: Jamie Landau and Britt Bugby

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Becky da Cruz at 2:01 pm.

Minutes from August 22, 2024 were approved. Connie Porcaro motioned to approve. Chris Downing seconded. Motion passed: 16 approved - 0 opposed – 0 abstained

Jamie Landau and Britt Bugby, from eLearning was on hand to discuss AI.

- **Bylaw: At-large Membership-process of selection**-Dr. da Cruz: there was no information in the Bylaws about electing At-large members; the committee was in favor of adding a statement that clearly explains that faculty should be nominated by their Dean and elected by the committee and that they would be required to serve a 2-year term; Dr. da Cruz will present draft language at the next GEC meeting.
- **Direct Admissions discussion**-Dr. da Cruz: asked the program representatives about direct admissions for seller students if they have a letter of recommendation from a faculty member in their program and requisite GPA. The student would still need to apply, but this would let the student know that we would like them to attend grad school at VSU.
- **AGS & SGA Updates**- Georgia Wynn: the next AGS meeting is Thursday, September 26th at 4pm with Career Opportunities talking about their services. In October they plan to do a resume writing workshop as well as planning some fund raisers as well.
- **Items from the Floor**- Dr. da Cruz: requested the committee review the draft policy that Michael Black and Sharon Gravett have worked on that defines dual degrees, majors, minors, certificates, concentrations, etc. and to provide feedback. There was some discussion on students who take the 4+1 and how this would affect them.

Motion made to adjourn at 3:25 pm

Next meeting on 10/10/2021 at 12:00 PM in the Board Room

Darli Devane

Becky K. da Cruz